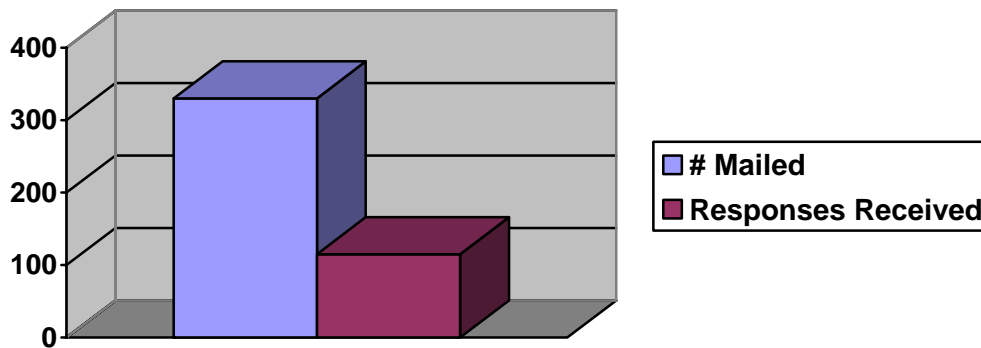


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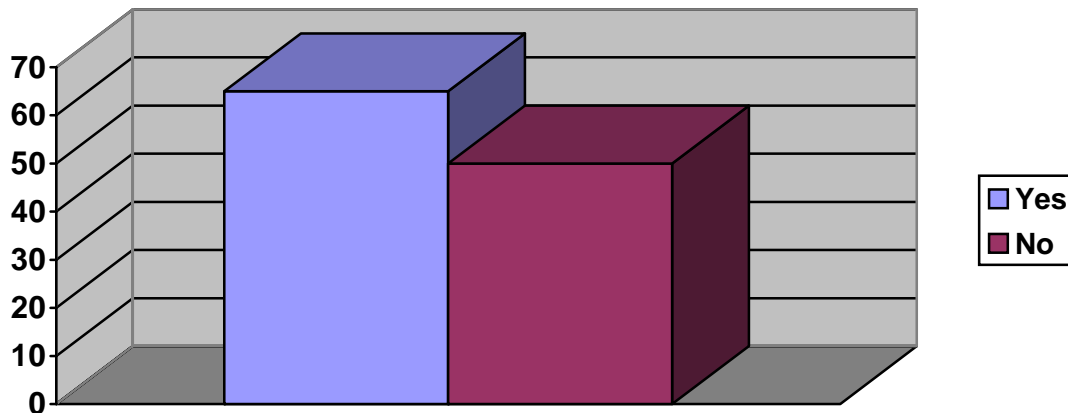
At the beginning of 2007 all sponsors operating the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) were sent a questionnaire regarding their participation in the SFSP. This questionnaire was developed to assist the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), Health and Nutrition Services with understanding why sponsors choose not to participate in the SFSP so as to improve ADE's training, outreach and technical assistance that is provided. Listed below are the results of the survey.

Questionnaires Mailed Compared to Responses



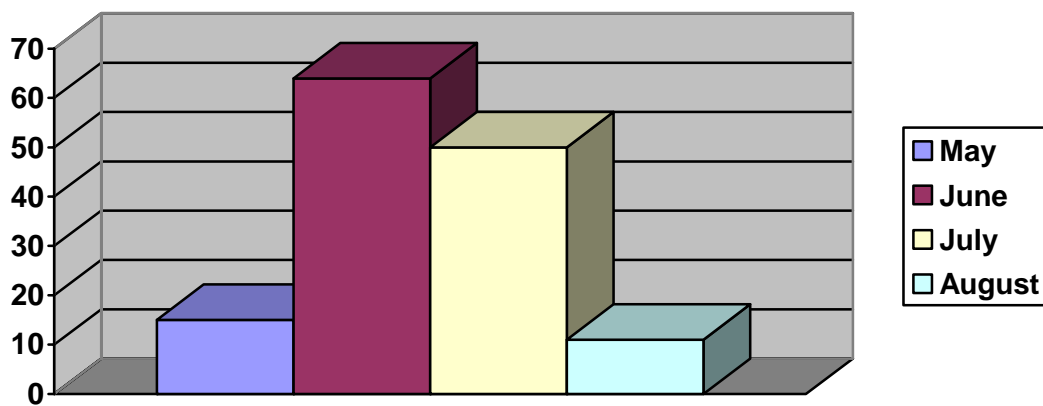
A total of 330 questionnaires were mailed to sponsors. The ADE received 115 (35%) questionnaires completed.

Comparison of those Participating and Not Participating in the SFSP



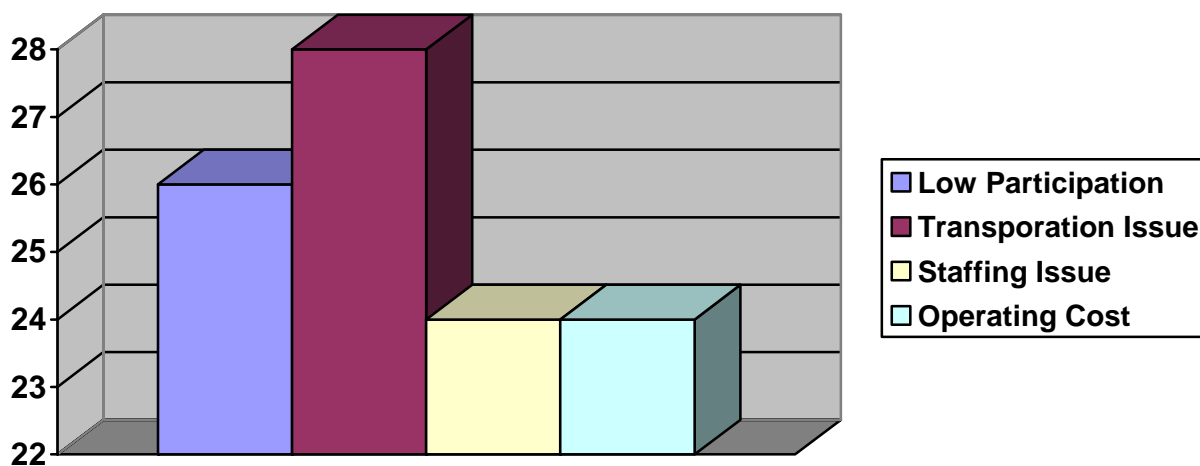
A total of 65 sponsors (57%) that responded indicated that they participate in the SFSP compared to 50 (43%) that do not participate in the SFSP.

Number of Sponsors Planning to Operate Each Month



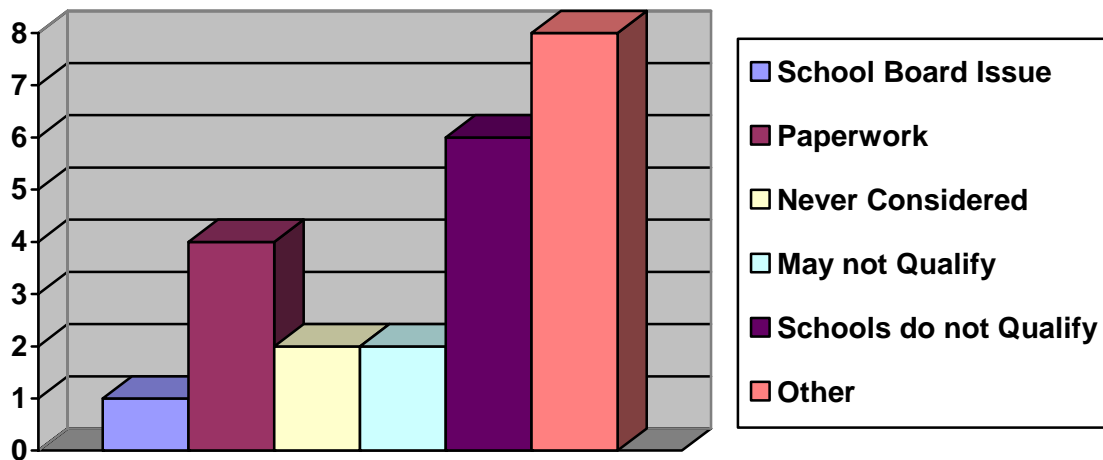
Most sponsors who responded planned to operate during the month of June (56%) with July being the second highest month of operation (43%). Only 15 sponsors (13%) responded they operate the program in May and 11 sponsors (10%) operate in August.

Reasons for Not Participating



Sponsors indicated a few reasons they do not participate in the SFSP. The most common reason was transportation issues (24%). The second most common reason was low participation at the site itself (23%). The two remaining reasons, staffing issues and operating cost, rated the same for not participating (21%).

Additional Reasons for Not Participating



There were a few additional reasons given as to why sponsors do not participate in the SFSP. There were 6 sponsors who indicated that they do not qualify for the program and 2 that indicated that they may not qualify, but were unsure. Two (2) sponsors had never considered the program and one (1) indicated that their school board had issues with their school running the program. The most common answer was 'other' which included reasons such as the sponsor operates a year round program, site nearby participates and feeds the same children, construction or school not providing summer school sessions.